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Art Unit	2174
Examiner Name	TRUC T. CHUONG
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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- b. ☐ Enclosed
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- iv. ☐ Other _____
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- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
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Signature	<u>Edwin G. Watson</u>	Date	11/16/04
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Applicant has attached Fee Transmittal form (PTO/SB/17) and Credit Card payment Form (PTO-2038) and authorizes charges of all necessary fees for the attached RCE and Extension of Time (if required). Applicant was unsure if the filing of this RCE required a payment of the extension of time, since the enclosed RCE appears to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.114 with the RCE fee per 1.17(e), and being filed prior to abandonment. However to be sure, applicant is authorizing charging any extension of time fees deemed necessary. In addition, applicant has already paid for one month extension of time on 9/18/04.

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Respectfully,

Edwin G. Watson

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